



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Valley Region

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## **SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY AND DELTA WATER QUALITY COALITION REQUEST FOR MONITORING SITE EXCHANGE**

The San Joaquin County and Delta Water Quality Coalition (Coalition) submitted a proposal to Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board staff (Staff) on 14 July 2008 to modify its Monitoring and Reporting Program Plan. The intent in the proposal is to exchange the monitoring site Marsh Creek at Concord Ave. for one at South Webb Tract Drain at the south island pump; coordinates N 38.06322, W 121.60331. This site exchange is necessary due to the encroachment of urban development in the area of the original monitoring site. In addition, the Marsh Creek site is frequently dry.

Staff has reviewed the Marsh Creek land use maps provided in the Coalition's Semiannual Monitoring Report and recent aerial photos to verify that urban development in this subwatershed has replaced significant portions of agricultural land. Additionally, field notes from monitoring activities confirm that this site is frequently dry.

Staff also reviewed the Webb Tract site land use map provided in the Coalition's proposal for acceptability and found it to be an acceptable site. It is anticipated that the Coalition will overcome any potential ferry crossing issues to gain access to the site. The Coalition indicated that the new site will represent approximately 4,000 acres of corn.

For these reasons, I approve the Coalition's request for replacing the Marsh Creek site with the more appropriate South Webb Tract Drain.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the site exchange approval, please contact Chris Jimmerson at (916) 464-4859.

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